

TITLE 9. HEALTH SERVICES

CHAPTER 23. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
ORAL HEALTH

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ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

R9-23-101. Definitions

In this Chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Amalgam" means a combination of silver alloy and mercury used for dental restorations.
2. "Bitewing radiograph" means an x-ray film designed to show the crowns of the upper and lower posterior teeth simultaneously.
3. "Board eligible" means a dentist who has successfully completed an approved training program in a specialty field recognized by the American Dental Association.
4. "Caries" means areas of decay in or on a tooth.
5. "Chief executive officer" means the person who has the authority and responsibility for the operation of a prepaid dental plan organization in accordance with the applicable legal requirements and policies approved by the governing authority.
6. "Composite" means a mixture of a filler, usually quartz, ceramic, or glass particles, and a resin blend used for dental restorations.
7. "Contracting agency" means a governmental or nonprofit organization that has contracted with the OOH to provide clinical and/or administrative services.
8. "Copal base" means a liquid resin placed under a restoration to insulate the pulpal tissue.
9. "Dental facility" means a dental health clinic or institutional department staffed by licensed dentists or licensed dental hygienists, or both.
10. "Dental sealant" means a thin plastic coating applied to the chewing surfaces of premolar or molar teeth which fills the pits and grooves of a tooth and prevents the trapping of food debris.
11. "Dentate" means with teeth.
12. "Dentist" means a person who is licensed to practice dentistry under the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-1201 et seq.
13. "Dentition" means the type, number, and arrangement of teeth.
14. "Dentures" means a partial or complete set of false teeth designed to simulate the patient's natural dentition.
15. "Department" means the Department of Health Services.
16. "Diagnostic services" means those dental services necessary to identify dental abnormalities, including radiographs and clinical examinations.
17. "Director of an organized educational setting" means the person responsible for the overall management of the facility.
18. "Emergency services" means those dental services necessary to control bleeding, relieve pain, including local anesthesia, or eliminate acute infection. Medications that may be prescribed by the dentist, but must be obtained through a pharmacy, are excluded.

19. "Endodontics" means dental services related to the pulp of a tooth.
20. "Extraoral" means outside of the mouth.
21. "Fluoride" means a chemical compound, usually sodium fluoride or acidulated phosphate fluoride, applied topically or as a mouth rinse.
22. "General dentist" means a dentist licensed under the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-1201 et seq. whose practice is not limited to a specific area and who is not certified by a specialty board recognized by the American Dental Association.
23. "Gingival tissue" means intraoral soft tissue commonly referred to as the gums.
24. "Governing authority" means the person or body, including a board of trustees or board of directors, in whom the ultimate authority and responsibility for the direction of a prepaid dental plan organization is vested.
25. "Hamular notch" means the area behind the upper back molar.
26. "Hygienist" means a person who is licensed to practice dental hygiene under the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-1281 et seq.
27. "Intraoral" means inside the mouth.
28. "Mandibular" means associated with the lower jaw.
29. "Maxillary" means associated with the upper jaw.
30. "Mobile Dental Unit" or "MDU" means a self-contained dental operatory housed in a movable trailer owned by the Department.
31. "Mucobuccal fold" means the space between the cheek and teeth.
32. "Occlusion" means the manner in which the upper and lower teeth fit together when the mouth is completely closed.
33. "Office of Oral Health" or "OOH" means the office within the Department responsible for oral health services.
34. "Operative dentistry" means the use of dental amalgam, dental permanent cement, composite and noncomposite resin materials, cast alloy restorations, stainless steel and aluminum crowns, and various temporary and intermediate materials usually classified as cements to maintain a functional dentition.
35. "Operatory" means the patient chair and attached or related equipment used to deliver dental services.
36. "Organization" means a prepaid dental plan organization as defined in A.R.S. § 20-1001.
37. "Organized educational setting" means any facility providing supervised instructional care or services for children less than 21 years of age.
38. "Panographic radiograph" means an x-ray that shows all of the teeth and related structures on 1 film.
39. "Patient" means a person who is being attended by a dentist or dental hygienist to receive an examination, diagnosis, or dental treatment, or a combination of an examination, diagnosis, and dental treatment.
40. "Periapical" means a full view of an individual tooth, including the area under the gum line and around the root of the tooth.
41. "Portable dental equipment" means operatory equipment that can be transported by automobile and set up in a public area or private residence.
42. "Postdam" means a ridge built into a maxillary denture which touches the posterior soft tissue of the roof of the mouth.
43. "Posterior flange" means that part of a denture that extends into the space between the tongue and the mandibular jawbone or the cheek and maxillary jawbone.
44. "Preventive services" means dental care intended to maintain dental health and prevent dental disease, including any combination of oral hygiene education, professional prophylaxis, application of fluorides, and a viable system of recall or follow-up.
45. "Professional prophylaxis" means cleaning the teeth with mild abrasives and dental equipment.
46. "Pulpal" means the soft living tissue that fills the central cavity of a tooth.
47. "Radiograph" means a picture produced on a sensitive surface by a form of radiation other than light, including x-ray photographs.
48. "Representative sample" means a part of a population or subset from a set of units selected to investigate the properties of the population or the set.
49. "Restoration" means treatment that returns a patient to a functional level of dental health, including treatment of the pulpal tissues and gingival tissues, the use of metal and plastic fillings, and the use of removable partial and complete dentures.
50. "Saddle area" means that portion of a partial denture which covers the bone where posterior teeth from either the upper or lower jaw have been removed.
51. "Specialist" means a dentist whose practice is limited to a specified area and who is recognized by the appropriate specialty board of the Commission on Accreditation of Dental Education of the American Dental Association as board eligible or board certified.
52. "Therapeutic services" means basic dental services provided by a general dentist including pulp therapy for permanent and primary teeth exclusive of root canal therapy, restoration of carious permanent and primary teeth with materials other than cast restorations, and routine extractions.
53. "Treatment plan" means a statement of the services to be performed for the patient.

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R9-23-105. Expired

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R9-23-108. Reserved

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R9-23-110. Reserved

R9-23-111. Repealed

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R9-23-113. Repealed

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R9-23-121. Repealed

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ARTICLE 2. STANDARDS FOR THE PROVISION OF ORAL HEALTH SERVICES

R9-23-201. Expired

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ARTICLE 3. ORAL HEALTH SERVICES

R9-23-301. Expired

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R9-23-302. Eligibility

The following individuals shall be eligible for dental health services:

1. Children who are eligible for the federal free or reduced school lunch program;
2. Persons who are eligible for federal, state, or a combination of federal and state nutrition programs; or
3. Persons whose income is at or below 133% of the federal poverty guideline or who are eligible Medicaid recipients but:
 - a. Do not have access to dental care, or
 - b. Whose physical or mental impairment precludes them from receiving dental services through the private dental sector.

Historical Note

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R9-23-303. Expired

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R9-23-304. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-305. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-306. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-307. Expired**Historical Note**

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ARTICLE 4. PREPAID DENTAL PLAN ORGANIZATIONS**R9-23-401. Expired****Historical Note**

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R9-23-402. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-403. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-404. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-405. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-406. Expired**Historical Note**

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R9-23-407. Expired**Historical Note**

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